

WHY GET A BOOSTER VACCINE DOSE?



The vaccine gives your immune system a boost to fight disease, but overtime the antibodies fade. Similar to the yearly flu shot, a booster dose helps create more antibodies and better arm your body to fight against disease.



Everyone 18 and older qualifies for a booster dose. Some factors in your life may also place you at greater risk of infection, making it especially important for you to receive a dose. These factors include:

ILLNESS

If your body is already fighting disease it may not create enough antibodies to fight off COVID-19. If you have underlying medical conditions you should get a booster dose.

LIVING SITUATION

Communal living settings may put you at higher risk of getting sick and spreading disease. This includes dorms, jails, and especially environments with many high-risk individuals like long-term care facilities.

CAREER

If you work in a high risk career where you are frequently exposed to COVID-19, a booster dose can help your body stay resistant to the disease. This includes jobs in education, health care, first responders, manufacturing workers, etc.

HOW TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

Several providers are currently offering the vaccine in our region. Check phd5.idaho.gov/covid-vaccine for a list of providers with openings this week. Or call the hotline for assistance: 208-737-1138.